
19. MITIGATION MONITORING

This chapter of the EIR describes a recommended monitoring and reporting program for implementation of the mitigation measures identified in this EIR, and describes relationships between various anticipated monitoring needs and responsible monitoring agencies.

19.1 BACKGROUND

CEQA section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code requires all public agencies to adopt reporting or monitoring programs when they approve projects subject to environmental impact reports or mitigated negative declarations.

A mitigation monitoring and reporting program would be required for implementation subsequent to certification of the Sunnyvale Downtown Improvement Program Update EIR. Most of the environmental mitigation measures which have been recommended in this EIR would be subject to effective monitoring through normal City of Sunnyvale plan adoption and subsequent development approval, building permit, and associated plan check and field inspection procedures. However, to satisfy CEQA section 21081.6, a documented record of implementation will be necessary.

19.2 MONITORING CHECKLIST

While actual formulation of a specific mitigation monitoring and reporting program should not be completed until the Final EIR and associated Statement of Findings are completed, the relationship between the various mitigation measures in this EIR and the responsible monitoring agency, and the framework to be followed in finalizing the monitoring and reporting program, can be determined on a preliminary basis at this time. This preliminary information can also assist decision-makers in evaluating the potential feasibility and effectiveness of the various mitigations recommended herein.

The attached checklist (Table 19.1) includes spaces for identifying: (1) each impact and associated mitigation measure included in the EIR, (2) the party responsible for implementing that mitigation measure, (3) the type of monitoring required, (4) the timing of the implementation, and (5) the party responsible for performing the mitigation monitoring. These checklist categories are discussed in more detail below.

19.2.1 Identified Impact

This column would include each identified significant adverse impact as it is described in the EIR summary table (EIR chapter 2).

19.2.2 Mitigation Measures (Performance Criteria)

This column would include each mitigation measure as it is described in the EIR summary table (EIR chapter 2). The description could be supplemented by any applicable performance criteria (i.e., the measure by which the success of the mitigation can be gauged) associated with each measure.

19.2.3 Monitoring

This column would describe (1) the "implementation entity" responsible for carrying out each mitigation measure (e.g., the City, a City department, another public agency, etc.); (2) the "type of monitoring action" required (e.g., established plan check and/or inspection procedures or, if these are not sufficient, specialized monitoring procedures by hired professionals); (3) specific implementation timing requirements (e.g., at the completion of a particular development review or construction phase, prior to occupancy of individual projects, or when some specific threshold is reached); and (4) the "monitoring and verification entity" responsible for performing the monitoring of each mitigation (e.g., a professional specialist hired by the City, a City department, or other public agency).

19.2.4 Verification

The Verification column would provide a space for the signature and date of the "monitoring and verification" entity when a monitoring milestone is completed.

Table 19.1

MITIGATION MONITORING CHECKLIST--SUNNYVALE DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

The environmental mitigation measures listed in column two below have been incorporated into the conditions of approval for the proposed Downtown Design Plan and associated Specific Plan amendments, General Plan amendments, Downtown Redevelopment Plan amendments, and Municipal Code (zoning ordinance) amendments in order to mitigate identified environmental impacts. A completed and signed chart will indicate that each mitigation requirement has been complied with, and that City and state monitoring requirements have been fulfilled with respect to Public Resources Code Section 21081.6.

IDENTIFIED IMPACT	RELATED MITIGATION MEASURE (CONDITION OF APPROVAL)	MONITORING				VERIFICATION		
		Impl. Entity	Type of Monitoring Action	Timing Requirements	Monitoring and Verification Entity	Signature	Date	
TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING								
Impact 7-1.								
Impact 7-2.								
Impact 7-3.								
NOISE								
Impact 9-1.								
Impact 9-2.								
AIR QUALITY								
Impact 10-1.								
Impact 10-2.								
DRAINAGE AND WATER QUALITY								
Impact 11-1.								

